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November 15, 2021

Mr. Benjamin D'Innocenzo
U.S. EPA Region 8
Mail Code: 8ENF-W-SD
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, CO 80202-1129

RE: Merit Energy Company, LLC
Surety Performance Bond
Wind River Reservation - Wyoming

Dear Mr. D'Innocenzo,

Enclosed you will find a Surety Rider for Merit Energy Company's Surety Performance Bond number 106026156. The rider increases the Performance Bond from \$3,520,000 to \$3,594,800 to include the Brinkerhoff 3A UIC well located in the Steamboat Butte field in Fremont County, Wyoming.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed or require additional information please contact me at Arlene.valliquette@meritenergy.com or at 972-628-1558.

Sincerely,

MERIT ENERGY COMPANY, LLC

Arlene Valliquette
Regulatory Manager

Enclosure

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RIDER

To be attached to bond known as Bond No. 106026156

issued by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America (as Surety),

in the amount of Three Million Five Hundred Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars
(\$3,520,000.00)

effective June 30, 2016

on behalf of Merit Energy Company, LLC (as Principal)

in favor of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (as Obligee)

In consideration of the premium charged for the above bond, it is mutually understood and agreed
by the Principal and the Surety that:

The Bond Amount is Increased as Follows.

From: Three Million Five Hundred Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,520,000.00)

To: Three Million Five Hundred Ninety Four Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 (\$3,594,800.00)

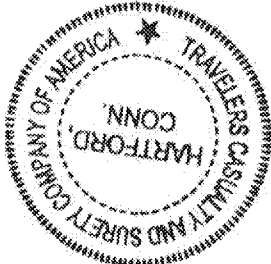
And the addition of the following well:

Brinckerhoff 3A UIC well

All other terms, limitations, and conditions of said bond except as herein expressly modified shall
remain unchanged.

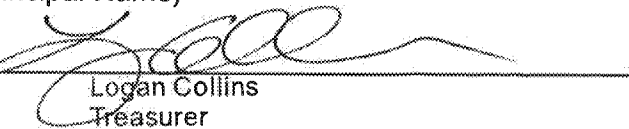
This rider shall be effective as of the 8th day of November, 2021.

Signed, sealed and dated the 8th day of November, 2021.



Merit Energy Company, LLC
(Principal Name)

By


Logan Collins
Treasurer

Merit Energy Company

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

By



Stacy Killebrew, Attorney-in-Fact



Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **STACY KILLEBREW** of **HOUSTON, Texas**, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **21st** day of **April**, 2021.



State of Connecticut

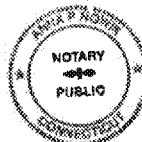
City of Hartford ss.

By: 
 Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

On this the **21st** day of **April**, 2021, before me personally appeared **Robert L. Raney**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of each of the Companies, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June**, 2026




 Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

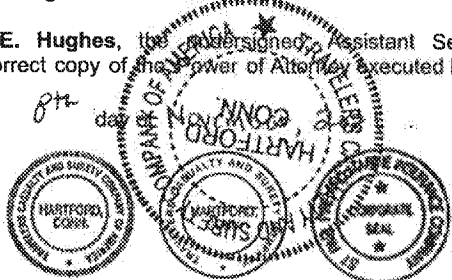
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is


FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of each of the Companies, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this  day  of  2021




 Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.
Please refer to the above-named Attorney(s)-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which this Power of Attorney is attached.